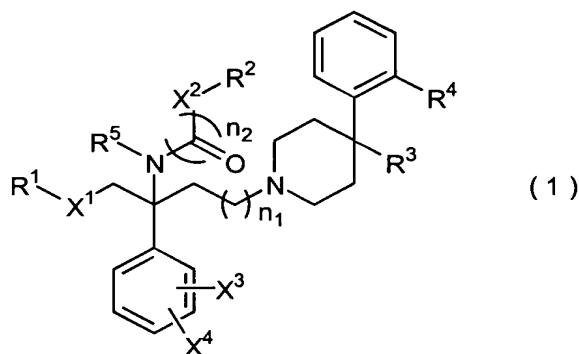


IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as follows:

Claim 1 (Currently Amended): A benzylamine derivative represented by formula (1):

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[wherein X¹ represents -N(CH₃)-, -NH-, or -O-;

X² represents a single bond, -NH-, an amido bond, an ester bond, -O-, -S-, or -CO-;

each of X³ and X⁴ represents a hydrogen atom or a halogen atom;

R¹ represents a hydrogen atom; a lower alkyl group; a phenyl group which may be substituted by 1 to 3 halogen atoms or cyano groups; a benzyl group which may be substituted by 1 to 3 lower alkyl groups, cyano groups, halogeno(lower alkyl) groups, or lower alkoxy groups; a benzoyl group which may be substituted by 1 to 3 lower alkyl groups, hydroxyl groups, halogeno(lower alkyl) groups, or lower alkoxy groups; a lower alkanoyl group which may be substituted by 1 to 5 halogen atoms, amino groups, or carbamoyl groups; a hydroxyl group; a carbamoyl group; a lower alkylsulfonyl group; a lower alkoxycarbonyl-lower alkyl group; a thienylcarbonyl group; a pyridylcarbonyl group; a lower alkylcarbonyl group; or a phenoxycarbonyl group);

R² represents a hydrogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a lower alkenyl group, a lower alkylsulfonyl group, a C3-C7 cycloalkyl group, a C6-C14 cycloalkyl-alkyl group, a C6-C14 aryl group, a C6-C14 aryloxy group, a C6-C14 aryloxy-lower alkyl group, C6-C14 arylthio-lower alkyl group, a C7-C16 aralkyl group, a lower alkoxycarbonyl-lower alkyl group, a

lower alkoxy-lower alkyl group, an amino-lower alkyl group, a C7-C16 aralkyl group substituted by a C3-C7 cycloalkyl group, a halogeno(lower alkyl)carbonyl group, an indanyl group, a 1,2,3,4-tetrahydronaphthalenyl group, a xanthenyl group, a piperidinyl group, a pyrrolidinyl group, a morpholino group, a tetrahydroisoquinolyl group, an indolyl group, a chromenyl group, an isobenzofuranyl group, a tetrahydropyranyl group, a benzothienyl group, an adamantyl group, an adamantyl(lower alkyl) group, a fluorenyl group, a fluorenyl(lower alkyl) group, a pyridyl(lower alkyl) group, or an amino group which may be substituted ~~substitututed~~ substituted by a phenyl group or a lower alkyl group (wherein a ring hydrogen of these group may be substituted by 1 to 5 atoms or groups selected from among a halogen atom, a lower alkyl group, a lower alkoxy group, a nitro group, an oxo group, a halogeno(lower alkyl) group, a C6-C14 aryl group, and a lower alkylamino group;

when R³ represents a (lower alkanoyl)amino group, an amino(lower alkanoyl) group, an amino(lower alkanoyl)amino group, a di(lower alkyl)carbamoylamino group, or a C7-C16 aralkyloxy(lower alkyl) group, R⁴ represents a hydrogen atom; or R³ and R⁴ may together form -SOCH₂-, -SO₂CH₂-, -NHCOCH₂-, -CH(OH)CH₂-, -OCH₂-, or -C(=NOH)CH₂-; R⁵ represents a hydrogen atom or a lower alkyl group; n₁ is 1 or 2; and n₂ is 0 or 1] or a salt thereof.

Claim 2 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]] The benzylamine derivative as described in claim 1~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein R³ and R⁴ together form -SOCH₂-, -SO₂CH₂-, -NHCOCH₂-, -CH(OH)CH₂-, -OCH₂-, or -C(=NOH)CH₂-.

Claim 3 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]] The benzylamine derivative as described in claim 1 or 2~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein X¹ is -N(CH₃)- or -O-.

Claim 4 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]] The benzylamine derivative as described in any one of claims 1 to 3~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein X² is a single bond, -NH-, an amido bond, an ester bond, -O-, or -CO-.

Claim 5 (Currently Amended): ~~[[A]] The benzylamine derivative as described in any one of claims 1 to 4~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1, wherein R² is a C7-C16 aralkyl group, a lower alkyl group, a C6-C14 aryl group, a C3-C7 cycloalkyl group, or an amino group which ~~may be substituted~~ is optionally substituted by a phenyl group or a lower alkyl group.

Claim 6 (Currently Amended): A drug containing, as an active ingredient, a benzylamine derivative ~~as recited in any one of claims 1 to 5~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 7 (Currently Amended): A pharmaceutical composition containing a benzylamine derivative ~~as recited in any one of claims 1 to 5~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1, and a ~~pharmaceutically~~ pharmaceutically acceptable carrier therefor.

Claim 8 (Currently Amended): ~~Use, for producing a drug, of~~ A method for producing drug containing a benzylamine derivative ~~as recited in any one of claims 1 to 5~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1.

Claim 9 (Currently Amended): A method for treating irritable bowel syndrome, pain, anxiety, obstructive bronchial diseases, headache, or vomiting, ~~characterized in that the method which comprises administering, in~~ administering an effective amount~~[[,]]~~ of a

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benzylamine derivative ~~as recited in any one of claims 1 to 5~~ or a salt thereof according to claim 1 to a patient in need thereof.